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Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b):

	Pages
Specification	28
Claims	16
Abstract	1
Declaration	[To be Filed at a Later Date]
Drawing(s)	8

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Under 35 USC §119(e)(1) and §120, this application claims the benefit of the earlier filing date of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/470,258, filed on December 22, 1999, and converted to a Provisional Application by petition under 35 CFR §1.53(c)(1) on March 17, 2000 (the provisional serial number not yet assigned).

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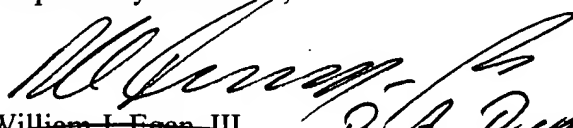
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